

PRESIDING OFFICER'S
RULING NO. N2012-1/66

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Mail Processing Network
Rationalization Service Changes, 2012

Docket No. N2012-1

PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING
CONCERNING REVISED SCHEDULING OF
REBUTTAL WITNESSES FOR HEARING

(Issued June 8, 2012)

On June 8, 2012, the Postal Service filed a notice indicating that it no longer intends to conduct oral cross-examination of National Postal Mail Handlers Union (NPMHU) witnesses during the June 13-15, 2012, hearing.¹ No other participant has indicated an intent to conduct oral cross-examination of these witnesses. Because there no longer is a need for these witnesses to appear in person, their testimony may be entered into the record by NPMHU counsel. The NPMHU witnesses are excused from appearing at the hearing.

The witness appearance schedule is revised to allow for all NPMHU witness testimony to be entered into the record at one time. All other witnesses are scheduled to appear to enter testimony, written-cross examination, and oral cross-examination on the days, and in the order, indicated below. Commission witnesses Matz and Weed shall also be available to appear on Friday June 15, 2012, in the unlikely event that all business cannot be completed on Thursday, June 14, 2012.

¹ United States Postal Service Notice of Withdrawal of Intent to Conduct Oral Cross-Examination of NPMHU Rebuttal Witnesses, June 8, 2012.

Wednesday, June 13, 2012 (designations due June 11, 2012)

- Max Heath (NNA-T-1)
- David Bordewyk (NNA-T-2)
- Kevin Neels (PR-T-1)
- Subramanian Raghavan (PR-T-2)
- Michael Hora (NPMHU-T-1)—by NPMHU Counsel
- Paul Hogrogian (NPMHU-T-2)—by NPMHU Counsel
- Christopher Bentley (NPMHU-T-3)—by NPMHU Counsel
- James Haggarty (NPMHU-T-4)—by NPMHU Counsel
- David Wilkin (NPMHU-T-5)—by NPMHU Counsel
- Kenny Hayes (NPMHU-T-6)—by NPMHU Counsel
- Robert J. Broxton, Sr. (NPMHU-T-7)—by NPMHU Counsel

Thursday, June 14, 2012 (designations due June 11, 2012)

- Michael A. Crew (NALC-T-1)
- Kathryn L. Kobe (APWU-RT-1)
- Marc Schiller (APWU-RT-2)
- Pierre Kacha (APWU-RT-3)
- Harold J. Matz (PRCWIT-T-2)
- William Weed (PRCWIT-T-1)

Friday, June 15, 2012

- Reserved

Please note the changes to designation due dates associated with each witness.

To expedite the process of entering testimony, written cross-examination, and witness affidavits for each NPMHU witness, the following special procedure shall be followed. On Wednesday, June 13, 2012, prior to the time for entering NPMHU testimony, NPMHU counsel and Postal Service counsel shall collate two sets of material for each NPMHU witness. Each set of material shall include a copy of the witness's testimony, followed by that witness's designated written cross-examination, followed by an appropriate attestation or affidavit for that witness.²

The above sets of witness material shall be further collated into two larger sets of material. Each larger set shall include one copy of all material for each NPMHU witness in order, NPMHU-T-1 through NPMHU-T-7. These sets of material shall be entered into the record at one time, in one batch, and shall be transcribed.

RULING

1. The schedule for the appearance of rebuttal witnesses is set forth in the body of this Ruling.
2. Due dates for designating written cross-examination are revised as set forth in the body of this Ruling.
3. Procedures for entering the testimony, written cross-examination, and witness affidavits for NPMHU witnesses are set forth in the body of this Ruling.

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Presiding Officer

² Two packets of designated written cross-examination for each witness will be available in the hearing room prior to the start of the hearing.